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6 February 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Allan Evans, OIR
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SUBJECT : NIE-27/1: Chinese Communist Capabilities and
Intentions with Respect to Taiwan

1. Subject estimate was scheduled on an urgent basis pursuant to IAC action on 24 January. IAC agency contributions were requested and received and a draft prepared on the basis of that priority.

2. The conclusions reached after reviewing the evidence are negative; i.e., we believe the Communists will not launch a military attack of any type against Taiwan through mid-1952.

3. Accordingly, we now propose a change in priority assigned this estimate to "high" in order to give the agencies more time to consider the attached draft. The IAC will be asked to confirm this tentative change in scheduling at its 7 February meeting.

4. Pending IAC confirmation, we request that your representative meet with us at 10:00 Monday, 11 February, in Room 146 South Building.

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Executive Secretary

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